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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicants and/or their attorney in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56. Copies of the documents are also being submitted.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97, Applicant believes that no fee is due since this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is submitted before the mailing of a first Office Action.

In compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record submits descriptions for the following references included in the IDS.

Regarding Reference AR, in April 2000, a presentation was made before some of the members of the Board of Directors of Guaranty Fund Management Services ("GFMS") and its affiliated guaranty associations in addition to other individuals from the insurance industry. Each member of the Board of Directors is a representative of an insurance company within a particular state for which GFMS and its affiliates performs services in connection with insurance insolvency operations. Part of the presentation included showing some screenshots associated with the Assessment Module (described in the application) in which the screenshots were partially populated with input data that would be used as input by the Assessment Module software, and calculations to be performed by the Assessment Module were verbally explained since the operative computer code for implementing the Assessment Module was not written at the time. Any output data shown in the screen shots was not produced by the Assessment Module software.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial the space adjacent to each document on the PTO-1449 form and return a copy of the PTO-1449 form to confirm that these documents have been considered by the Examiner and made of record in this application.

Although we believe that we have appropriately provided for any fees due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to/from our **Deposit Account No. 501136**. Two originally-executed copies of this form are being submitted.

Should there be any questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 951-6661.

Respectfully submitted,

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